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RE: Serial No. 10/734,358/NGC-145 Notice of Incomplete Reply

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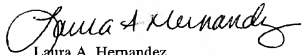
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PETITIONS OFFICE

Dear Ms. Tang, per our conversation of today regarding the above referenced patent application, you requested that I send you this supplement to the Petition filed on June 25, 2004 correcting an error in the serial number. The correct **Serial Number** should be **10/734,358** not 60/461,366.

I also attach a Supplemental Affidavit advising that along with the Assignment and Declaration and Power of attorney documents sent on 12/10/03 via email to all inventors that I also sent a complete copy of the application as filed. Please call me if you require any additional information or documents.

Regards,



Laura A. Hernandez
Office Administrator/Paralegal

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Abdollahi, et al. EXAMINER: N/A
SERIAL NO.: 10/734,358 GROUP: 3727
FILED: 12/12/2003 DOCKET: NGC-145/000312-040
TITLE: AUTOMATED INSPECTION OF PACKAGING MATERIALS FOR
PACKAGE INTEGRITY

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following documents related to the above referenced application:

Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)
Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.47 Filing When an Inventor Refuses to Sign
or Cannot be Reached (w/attachments)
Affidavit of Laura A. Hernandez (w/attachments)
Copy of Notice of Incomplete Reply (Nonprovisional)
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Deposit Account of Patti & Brill, LLC **Deposit Account No. 50-1941 the fee of \$130.00.** In the event of an improperly paid fee, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit/credit the account as necessary to correct the error. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for fee purposes.

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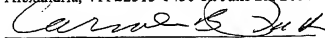
Respectfully submitted,



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NOTE: I AM MISSING THE ADDRESS OF MR. ROCHE. MR. ROCHE PLEASE INSERT YOUR HOME ADDRESS INTO THE DOCUMENT, RESAVE IT AND THEN SIGN IT. THANK YOU.

I am administering the preparation of the formal papers for the subject patent application.

Please find attached two documents, an Assignment and Agreement and a Declaration and Power of Attorney, for the above referenced patent application. Please print these out.

Please verify all of the information on both documents. If there is any incorrect information, please cross out the incorrect information, write the correct information, and initial by the changes.

Please sign and date the Declaration and Power of Attorney in blue ink. In the presence of a notary public, please sign and date, using blue ink, the Assignment and Agreement.

Please make sure the notary public notarizes the Assignment and Agreement after you sign.

Once both documents are completely signed, please fax the documents to us at (312) 346-2810. We are targeting a filing date of December 15th and, if possible we ask that you kindly fax us your executed formal papers by Friday, Dec. 12th, 11 a.m. California time. Thank you.

Kindly also return the originals to us via mail to:

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If you have any questions or comments, please call us at 312-346-2800. Thank you.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Abdollahi, et al. EXAMINER: N/A
SERIAL NO.: 10/734,358 GROUP: 3727 CONF. NO. 3532
FILED: 04/09/2003 DOCKET: NGC-145/000312-040
TITLE: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATED INSPECTION OF
PACKAGE SEAL INTEGRITY

SUPPLEMENTAL AFFIDAVIT OF LAURA A. HERNANDEZ


I, Laura A. Hernandez, Office Administrator with the law firm of Patti & Brill, LLC,
being first duly sworn on oath state:

I made efforts to contact and request execution of the Oath or Declaration by co-inventor
Mohsen Abdollahi.

In addition to sending all inventors an Assignment and Declaration and Power of
Attorney documents on December 10, 2003 via email, I also attached a complete copy of the
application as filed which included the specification, claims and drawings.

Applicants respectfully petition that the Response to Notice of Incomplete Reply for the
above referenced application without the signature of all inventors be accepted.

Respectfully submitted

By: 
Laura A. Hernandez
Office Administrator

Subscribed and Sworn
before me this 30th day
of July, 2004.



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